

TOWN OF GRANBY, MASSACHUSETTS DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO RESPOND TO COVID-19

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization designated the 2019 novel Coronavirus outbreak as a Public Health Emergency and subsequently a Pandemic;

WHEREAS, the disease caused by the 2019 novel Coronavirus is a contagious, and at times a potentially fatal, respiratory disease;

WHEREAS, as of April 5, 2020, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC"), there are 304,826 reported cases of COVID-19 in the United States and its territories, and 7,616 of those cases have resulted in death;

WHEREAS, as of April 5, 2020, there are 12,500 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Commonwealth, and 231 of those cases have resulted in death;

WHEREAS, both travel-related cases and community contact transmission of COVID-19 have been detected in the Commonwealth and such transmission is expected to continue;

WHEREAS, it is critical to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of the people of the Town of Granby; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of emergency will facilitate and expedite the use of Town of Granby resources and deployment of such resources to protect residents of Granby from the impacts of the spread of COVID-19 and to utilize efficiently the resources of Town Government;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Christopher Martin, Emergency Manager of the Town of Granby, Massachusetts and with concurrence of the Granby Selectboard, pursuant to the powers granted under the Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, do hereby issue this proclamation that there now exists in the Town of Granby, Massachusetts a STATE OF EMERGENCY.

Pursuant to the powers granted under the Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, and other provisions of law, I shall from time to time issue recommendations, directives, and executive orders as circumstances may require to carry out the declaration of emergency.

This proclamation of a STATE OF EMERGENCY is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to my judgment that the STATE OF EMERGENCY no longer exists.

Given in Granby this 6th day of April, 2020. Christopher Martin, Emergency Manager